PATENT

Docket No.: 16356.662 (DC-03303)

Customer No.: 000027683

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Merkin, Cynthia et al

Serial No. 09/977,777

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For:

COMPUTER SYSTEM WARRANTY

UPGRADE METHOD AND APPARATUS WITH CONFIGURATION CHANGE

DETECTION FEATURE

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Examiner: Glass, Russell S.

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 8, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1, 12 and 29 are amended, and claims 1-25 and 29 remain in the application. Re-examination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.